

GERMAN AIR RAID TAKES HEAVY TOLL OF LIFE

FIFTEEN PERSONS KILLED BY BOMBS

And Other Missiles Thrown by Birdmen on the British Coast in Raid.
AS MANY MORE WOUNDED
Third Attack by German Zeppelins in a Little More Than Two Weeks.

LONDON, June 16.—The latest air raid on the British coast was the most fatal of them all. Zeppelins flew over the northeast coast of England last night. This morning fifteen persons are dead from missiles thrown down from the flyers and as many more are wounded. Never before has an air raid taken such toll on human life. This is the third attack in a little over two weeks. May 31 was the date of the first attack on London from the clouds and persons killed and on June 6 the east coast of England was the scene of attack with five fatalities.

In the eastern arena of the fighting the Russian forces still are slowly and stubbornly retreating. The latest official report from Petrograd admits the withdrawal of Russian troops across the Galician frontier into Russian territory from Cernowitz at a point between the Dniester and the Pruth. The same report sets forth that fresh forces brought up near Jaroslavl under cover of heavy artillery fire compelled the Russians to retire for some distance on the right bank of the river San after three days of desperate fighting. On the rest of the eastern front the Russians apparently are containing themselves with repelling attacks of the enemy except on the left bank of the Tismientica and the Str. tributaries of the Dniester where they claim to have taken numerous prisoners and machine guns and to have recaptured villages wrested from them by the Austrians.

Little news came to England from the Dardanelles except with the official intimation that the Turkish forces are showing a sensible weakening.

On the western front the fighting during the last twenty-four hours has been indecisive. According to Paris the most important activity has been confined to the artillery but a wireless despatch from Berlin relates the complete failure of a violent French infantry attack to the north of Arras.

DR. COOK HOPES TO SCALE MT. EVEREST



Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the man who secured wide notice a few years ago by his explorations in the vicinity of the north pole, is now on his way to India. He says he will attempt the ascent of Mount Everest, of the Himalayas, the highest known mountain in the world. The trip will require seven months.

WEST OFFERS CASH PRIZE
A cash purse of \$15.00 has been offered by George M. West to the winning team in the tug of war contest at the big fourth of July celebration on the fair grounds, Monday, July 5. Entries in this and other contests of skill and strength, may be made to W. M. Mulhern at Lowndes department store.

COUNTY COURT

Looks after Public Matters of Various Kinds at Its Present Term.
The county court has established a road through lands of Porter Maxwell in Elk district and allowed him \$80 as damages.
Carl L. Hornor has been relieved as surety on the bond of Mary L. Hansford and she has been directed to give a new bond on or before July 1.
The county court members and the road engineer will view a route for a road through lands of Charles Lambert and others in Sardis district. They will also view a site for a bridge between Lumberport and Sardis.
James T. Keenan qualified as a notary public.

BRITISH TROOPS TAKING MORE GERMAN TRENCHES

PARIS, June 16.—The French war office this afternoon issued the following statement:
"British troops yesterday occupied a line of German trenches to the west of LaBasse. There is nothing to report from the remainder of the front. German airship was compelled to come to land within our lines at a point near Noroy Sur Oureq."

JITNEY BUS

Case is Argued before the Court of Appeals of West Virginia.

CHARLESTON, June 16.—Arguments were heard in the supreme court Tuesday, seeking to test the constitutionality of the Williamson charter, passed by the last regular session of the legislature. No decision was rendered in court in either case. The court rendered opinions in the following cases:
Kerr vs. Baltimore and Ohio railroad company from Mason county. Affirmed.
Meek vs. Morris, from Doddridge county. Writ of mandamus awarded.
Egerton vs. Fletcher, from Cabell county. Judgment reversed and judgment entered here.
Marshall vs. Lumber company from Wood county. A. rmed.
Morgan vs. Pool, from Roane county. Judgment modified and affirmed.
An appeal and superadeas was granted by the court against the Kanawha county court, restraining it from paying for publication of the bond issue. Stanley, a taxpayer, sought to prevent the payment for more than one publication, instead of thirty, as authorized by the county court. The circuit court had granted an injunction and then dissolved the injunction.

JAPAN PROTESTS.

TOKIO, June 16.—According to announcement made today by a Japanese news agency Japan has sent a protest to China concerning the anti-Japanese movement in the republic.

INSTITUTE OPENS.

WHEELING, June 16.—The West Virginia Mining Institute began its annual session here today.

JAMES DOUDS FUNERAL.

The funeral of James Douds will be held at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon at the home of his brother, Harry Douds, at 612 Locust street, and the burial will be in the Masonic

BRIDGEPORT

BRIDGEPORT, June 16.—Mrs. C. D. Munson, of Buckhannon, is a guest of her mother, Mrs. Mary Stout. The local chapter of Eastern Star has chosen the following officers: Worthy matron, Mrs. Roy Peshak; associate matron, Mrs. C. C. Davis; worthy patron, John Davidson; secretary, Mrs. Samuel Steele; treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Garrett; conductress, Mrs. W. M. Davis; associate conductress, Mrs. J. J. Crews; Adah, Mrs. B. H. Martin; Ruth, Mrs. Ralph Jones; Esther, Miss Audrey Jones; Martha, Miss Nell Stout; Electa, Miss Ethel Heckert; warden, Miss Ella Benadum; chaplain, Mrs. Mary Sandusky; marshal, Mrs. A. W. McCartney; Sentinel, Roy Pashak; organist, Mrs. C. A. Willis.

The funeral of J. G. Robinson, aged 68, who died at his home near here Saturday morning, was held from the Middleville Baptist church Sunday afternoon with the Rev. Mr. Wier, pastor of the Boothville Methodist Episcopal church, South, conducting the services. Interment was in the church cemetery. Mr. Robinson's sudden death came as a great shock to his family and friends as he had retired for the night in usual health. He was converted in his youth and joined the Baileytown Methodist Protestant church. Surviving the deceased man are the following children: Mrs. Clarence Willis, of Boothville; Mrs. Clyde Watkins, living near here; Samuel, of Canada; Thomas Herl, of California; and Miss Ella, at home. A large concourse of friends followed the body to its last resting place, among them comrades, who served with him in the Union army. The floral tributes were beautiful.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Room is Being Built at Methodist Episcopal Church South, Here.

Lumber is being placed on the lot just back of the St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, South, today, for the purpose of building an additional Sunday school room to take care of the fast growing Sunday school of that church. This room will only be temporary as a new church is in contemplation and will likely be built within the next year. The new room, which will accommodate over a hundred men, will be occupied by the "T. S. Wade Class for Men Only," which was organized and is being taught by the pastor, the Rev. W. H. Fogleman. The work will be done tomorrow by volunteer labor. Each member and friend of the class is asked to contribute a few hours work on the building. Contractor J. E. White will have charge of the work. The room will be ready for occupancy by next Sunday.
The St. Paul's Sunday school has increased 125 per cent in membership in the last year, under the leadership of the superintendent, L. D. Johnson.

NO PRACTICE FIELD.

Notice is reported as having been served on J. P. Eckert that the busy streets of Bridgeport do not constitute a practice field for motorists. Mr. Keely has a new automobile and was trying to learn to run it when the notice was served.

HONOR SYSTEM JOKE AT NAVAL ACADEMY, IS CHARGE; INVESTIGATION IS NOW ON



Robert Moss, father of accused midshipman (left), and Capt. Robert L. Russell, president of board of inquiry.

Seven midshipmen at the Annapolis Naval Academy who are in trouble because they "cribbed" at a recent examination are borne out by the presidents of the classes in the statement that the honor system has failed at Annapolis and that a large majority of the students use unauthorized means in passing examinations. Midshipman James E. Moss is one of the accused "middies." A board of inquiry, with Capt. Robert L. Russell at its head, has made an investigation and recommended the dismissal of Moss and four others.

Officers Elected by Druggists' Auxiliary

State Pharmaceutical Association Gets Down to Business in Annual Convention.
Officers for the ensuing year were elected and a resolution endorsing the Stevens cut-throat competition bill, pending in Congress, was passed at the annual meeting of the travelers' auxiliary of the West Virginia State Pharmaceutical Association, held Wednesday morning at the Waldo hotel, at the same time the second business session of the association was in progress at the same place. The association listened to three interesting addresses and transacted routine business.
Auxiliary Officers.
The new officers of the travelers' auxiliary are as follows:
J. R. Mallory, Parkersburg, president.
J. C. Rogers, Wheeling, first vice-president.
C. V. Terrell, Wheeling, second vice-president.
Mrs. S. H. Schriver, of Philadelphia, third vice president.
W. M. Hinson, Rochester, N. Y., fourth vice president.
A. M. Whitaker, Huntington; F. F. Allen, Baltimore, Md.; and I. R. Van Gorder, of Elkhart, Ind., members of the council.
Charles Stevens, Parkersburg, secretary.
J. R. Deak, Parkersburg, treasurer.

A movement was started at Wednesday morning's session of the association to organize a woman's auxiliary and President John R. Elson appointed all women present at the session as members of a committee to call a meeting of women attending the convention for the purpose of organizing such an auxiliary, provided the women want one.
University Men Talk.
Prof. C. H. Rogers, head of the new department of pharmacy at West Virginia University, delivered an interesting address in which he told about that department.
Dr. A. Arkin, head of the departments of bacteriology and pathology in the university, also delivered a splendid lecture on "Biological Products and Their Properties."
The annual report submitted by the secretary, Bert E. Downs, of Welch, covered the activities of the association during the last year and showed that the membership of the organization is close to 300. Twenty new members have been added and during the last year four members died. The report was referred to the finance committee.
The annual report of the treasurer, C. Sinclair, of Wheeling, was also read and referred to the finance committee. Mr. Sinclair suggested several changes in the financial system of the association and these were adopted.
Are Photographed.
At 12:30 o'clock the members of the association and of the travelers' auxiliary, together with their ladies, were photographed in front of the First Presbyterian church.
With the retail and wholesale mer-

CHANGE OF RULES

Of International Law after the War is Prophesied by William J. Bryan.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—Former Secretary Bryan in the first section of his statement on "The Causeless War," today declared that the greatest peace-making opportunity in all history was certain to come to the United States, and declared there would be a demand for an international conference with the return of peace to change the rules of international law "which seem to have been made for the nations at war, rather than for the nations at peace."
SPECIAL MEETING.
There will be a special meeting of Hermon Lodge, No. 6, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, in the Masonic temple at 7:30 o'clock this evening for work in the second degree.

NEW DISEASE IN BARBOUR COUNTY

DEATH

Clams M. D. Stuart, Well Known Cattle Man, after Long Illness.

M. D. Stuart, aged 57 years, a well-known cattleman of the county, died at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at his home on West Main street, after a four months' illness, following an operation for appendicitis and hemorrhoids.
Mr. Stuart was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin C. Stuart, this county. He resided on Coburn's creek for a number of years and was a successful farmer. Twenty-seven years ago he, with his brother, John W. Stuart, started Stuart Brothers Livery Company. After engaging in this business, successfully for a number of years he retired. The later years of his life, until about a year ago, when his health began to fail, he was interested in the horse and cattle business.
The deceased man is survived by his widow, Mrs. Maggie P. Stuart, a son, Dever P. Stuart, three brothers and two sisters. The brothers are John W. Stuart, of Clay street; C. J. Stuart, of Point Comfort; and Hunter Stuart, of West Pike street. The sisters are Mrs. Sidney Hornor and Mrs. A. R. Carter, both residents of the county.
Funeral services will be held at the Stuart home at 1:20 o'clock Thursday afternoon. The Rev. W. C. Taylor, pastor of the First Baptist church, of which the deceased was a life-long member, will have charge of the services and the burial will be in the Odd Fellows cemetery.

Among Live Stock and Officers Have Horses, Mules and Cattle Killed.

SPREADS VERY RAPIDLY

Affected Animals Lose Flesh and They Literally Starve to Death.

GRAFTON, June 16.—Officers of the state department of agriculture have killed more than twenty-five horses, mules and cattle in Barbour county, affected by the new and strange disease recently discovered there which is scientifically described as sarcosporidiosis scabiei.
A number of other cases is receiving treatment while a dozen persons who contracted the disease are believed to be recovering.
The disease is a parasitical affection, appearing on the mane and tail and neck of the horse and on the eyes, hips and abdomen of the cattle. The disease spreads rapidly, envelops the body quickly permitting the hair to fall out. The body is soon bare and the skin becomes thick and wrinkled. The parasite lies beneath the skin and can be treated only with difficulty. The affected animals lose flesh rapidly and literally starve to death if not treated.

COST OF LIVING

Is Higher Than Ever in United States as Shown by Government Figures.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—The cost of living is higher than ever before in the United States, as far as government statistics show, and is increasing each year. In 1914 the year's cost of filling the market basket of the average American workingman's family was \$6.68 or two per cent higher than it was in 1913, and \$9.43 or 24 1/2 per cent higher than it was in 1907, calculating on relative price figures announced today by the federal bureau of labor statistics, as a result of its most recent investigation of retail prices. These figures represent prices of fifteen articles, aggregating approximately two-thirds of the expenditure for food by the average family. The cost of these articles in 1914 was \$340.50, \$333.90, making the increase \$6.60, while in 1907 it was \$280.15. Calculating these amounts as two-thirds of the workingman's family food expenditure the total spent for food in these years would be, in 1913 \$500.95, 1914 \$510.87 and 1907 \$410.20. The bureau's investigation covers prices in forty-four important industrial cities.

PAVING BEGUN

At Grafton by Contractor Withers Who is to Use Local Company's Block Paver.

GRAFTON, June 16.—Contractor W. P. Withers, who is to do the street paving here this season, began his work today. Every effort will be made to complete the work during the early part of the summer. The specifications for the work call for the most modern and highest class of paving and will be the first in this city with the concrete base. The "Grafton Block" paver, made by the Thompson Brick Company, of Clarksburg, with its plant near here, will be used.

ON TRIAL

In the Criminal Court is Oran Griffin, Charged with Assault with a Shovel.

Oran Griffin was placed on trial in the criminal court Wednesday morning, charged with assaulting R. F. Davis, of Salem, with a shovel May 24.
A jury disagreement in the case of Edna McLaughlin, charged with operating a house of bad repute, caused the case to be continued until the next term of the court.

DEF FOR MADAGASCAR.

SISTERSVILLE, June 16.—Albert J. Mechlins has gone to New York to sail to the Madagascar Islands via London. He will take charge of several strings of tools for a French company which is operating there.

MEETS AT PARKERSBURG.

PARKERSBURG, June 16.—The executive committee of the West Virginia Postmasters' Association at a meeting here has decided to hold the annual meeting Parkersburg August 5 and 6.

BRITISH TAKE TRENCHES.

LONDON, June 16.—The French embassy today gave out the statement that British forces yesterday carried another line of German trenches to the west of LaBasse.

TO ACCEPT POSITION.

Belisle Hill, of Broad Oaks, a mining engineer graduate from the Carnegie Tech in Pittsburgh, will leave this evening for Bucktown, Tenn., to accept a mining position.

GAME CANCELLED.

The baseball game scheduled to be played at Norwood park at 7:30 o'clock this afternoon, between the Pittsburg Collegians and the Norwood Park team, has been cancelled. The Pittsburg team arrived in the city Tuesday evening from Buckhannon and, as it was raining, went on to Pittsburg. Instead of waiting here for the game today.

COURT REFUSES

To Hear Fairmont Charter Case until State Supreme Court Passes on Question.

PARKERSBURG, June 16.—Judges J. A. Pritchard and C. H. Woods, of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, Fourth district, and Judge A. G. Dayton, of the Northern district, sitting here in the hearing on the petition of Thomas F. Haymond, a non-resident property holder of Fairmont, to declare the charter of Fairmont unconstitutional, entered an order of refusal to hear the petition until an appeal from a similar petition brought in from the county of Marion county is disposed of by the state supreme court. Walter B. Haggerty, counsel for the city administration of Fairmont, the defendant in the suit, stated to the court that the case would be appealed. A state law provides that an appeal from a municipal ordinance is not to be heard until disposed of by the supreme court of the state.

MERGER

Of Revenue Districts Results in Transfer of Revenue Agent Sams.

RICHMOND, Va., June 16.—With the merging of the Second and Sixth Virginia revenue districts in charge of T. S. Vandervoort, with headquarters here, it is announced that R. B. Sams, agent formerly in charge of the Sixth district at Roanoke, Va., been transferred to Parkersburg, W. Va., where he will be in charge of all of West Virginia and the Seventh Kentucky district. The Sixth Virginia district heretofore included West Virginia. The Second included all of eastern Virginia and a part of North Carolina. Sams is considered one of the best men in the revenue service.

TEACHERS MEET.

CHARLESTON, June 16.—Two thousand public school teachers gathered here for the annual meeting of the West Virginia Educational Association. Governor Hatfield will address the association tonight.